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SUBJECT: LTDP -- TASK FORCE-8 COVERAGE IN EWG REPORT

MISSION SHOULD PASS FOLLOWING US PAPER TO IS FOR USE IN
DRAFTING EWG REPORT ON NATO LTDP.

BEGIN TEXT.

TASK FORCE 8--RATIONALIZATION. AMONG ALL CURRENT
NATO INITIATIVES, ARMAMENTS COOPERATION HAS THE GREATEST
POTENTIAL FOR CREATING INCREASED MILITARY CAPABILITY
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AND POLITICAL SOLIDARITY. BUT SUCCESSFUL COOPERATION
IN R&D AND ARMAMENTS REQUIRES A NEW LEVEL OF COMMITMENT
BY NATIONS SUPPORTED BY AN EFFECTIVE ALLIANCE ARMAMENTS
PLANNING PROCESS. SUCH A PLANNING PROCESS MUST
RECOGNIZE THE SOVEREIGNTY OF NATIONS IN EQUIPMENT
DECISIONS AT THE SAME TIME THAT IT DEFINES RELATIONSHIPS
AND TASKS IN A COORDINATED WEAPONS ACQUISITION EFFORT.

OBVIOUSLY, DEVELOPMENT OF THE MAIN PLANNING PROCESS
MUST NOW BE LEFT TO PAPS AND NAPR GROUPS. ALL THE LTDP

CAN DO AT THIS POINT IS TO ENDORSE HEARTILY BOTH THE
ACCELERATED PREPARATION OF CHALLENGING PAPS AND NAPR
PROCEDURES AND THE SEPARATE BUT COMPLEMENTARY
TRANSATLANTIC DIALOGUE NOW UNDERWAY.

ON THE OTHER HAND, MOST OF THE TF-8 PROCEDURAL
RECOMMENDATIONS SEEM ALREADY BROAD-Y ACCEPTABLE TO
NATIONS. HENCE, MOST OF THEM SHOULD BE REMANDED NOW
TO EXISTING ACTION AGENCIES, AND ONLY A FEW OF THE
MOST IMPORTANT SHOULD BE PRESENTED TO MINISTERS.
TO THIS END, WE PROPOSE THAT THE EWG REPORT FOCUS
ON THE FOLLOWING KEY MEASURES, BASED ON TF-8 REPORT
BUT IN MORE POSITIVE FORM.

1. THE NMAS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CNAD AD HOC
STUDY GROUP ON PAPS, SHOULD PROVIDE TO THE DPC/NAC
FOR APPROVAL IN DECEMBER 1978 A MANAGERIAL AND
PROCEDURAL FRAMEWORK TO IDENTIFY AND ANALYZE
ALLIANCE "MISSION NEEDS" AS THE BASIS FOR COOPERATIVE
ACTION.

2. THE CNAD AD HOC STUDY GROUP ON PAPS SHOULD
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PROVIDE FOR APPROVAL IN DECEMBER 1978 A MANAGERIAL
AND PROCEDURAL FRAMEWORK TO IDENTIFY ALLIANCE
OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION AND REPORT THEM TO
THE NAC. IN ADDITION, THIS FRAMEWORK WOULD PROVIDE
ACQUISITION STRATEGIES AIMED AT MEETING "MISSION
NEEDS" IDENTIFIED UNDER THE PROCEDURES RESULTING
FROM RECOMMENDATION NR. 1 ABOVE. THESE STRATEGIES
WOULD ENCOMPASS LEGAL, FINANCIAL, CONTRACTUAL AND
POLITICAL ASPECTS, AS WELL AS MILITARY AND TECHNICAL.
THE STRATEGIES ALSO WOULD STRUCTURE MULTINATIONAL
APPROACHES TO MEET THE MISSION NEED, LAY OUT CONSTRAINTS
AND IDENTIFY ISSUES THAT MUST BE RESOLVED IN ORDER TO
MOVE A PROGRAM INTO ITS CONCEPT DEFINITION PHASE.

3. THE NATO ARMAMENTS PLANNING REVIEW SHOULD BE
EXPANDED TO INCLUDE A FORMALIZED REVIEW OF ALL MAJOR
ACQUISITION PROGRAMS THAT HAVE STANDARDIZATION/
INTEROPERABILITY IMPLICATIONS.

4. ALL ALLIES SHOULD IMPLEMENT THE INTELLECTUAL
PROPERTY RIGHTS PRINCIPLES DEVELOPED BY AC-94 AND
AGREE TO FURTHER ACCELERATED ANALYSIS BY AC-94 OF

REMAINING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PROBLEMS.

5. ALL ALLIES SHOULD AGREE TO:

A. CONSULT WITH THE OTHER ALLIANCE NATIONS BEFORE INITIATING WEAPONS PROGRAMS HAVING ALLIANCE IMPACT.

B. INCORPORATE NATO STANDARDIZATION AND INTEROPERABILITY REQUIREMENTS IN ALL NATIONAL RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST AND EVALUATION AND ACQUISITION PROCEDURES. (A VIGOROUS DECLARATION TO THIS EFFECT WOULD BE SALUTARY.)

6. THE US BELIEVES STRONGLY THAT THE ABOVE MEASURES
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ALONE ARE INSUFFICIENT TO PROVIDE A BOLD AND CHALLENGING LTDP REPORT ON THIS CRUCIAL PROBLEM AREA. THEREFORE, WE BELIEVE THAT IN ORDER TO DEMONSTRATE ALLIANCE COOPERATION, THE ALLIES SHOULD ALSO AGREE TO COOPERATIVE ACQUISITION PROGRAMS FOR THE FOLLOWING SYSTEMS RECOMMENDED BY OTHER LTDP TASK FORCES:

A. SINGLE CHANNEL RADIO ACCESS SYSTEM.

B. NEXT GENERATION OF NAVAL MINES.

C. NEXT GENERATION OF ANTI-SURFACE SHIP MISSILE.

D. NEXT GENERATION OF IFF.

E. NEXT GENERATION OF ANTI-TANK GUIDED MISSILES.

F. NEXT GENERATION OF AIR-TO-SURFACE WEAPONS.

G. UNMANNED HARASSMENT DRONE.

H. COMMON TACTICAL TRUNK NETWORK SYSTEM.

I. EXPENDABLE JAMMING CAPABILITY FOR COMMUNICATING AND NON-COMMUNICATING EMITTERS.

THE CNAD SHOULD ENSURE AN EQUITABLE ALLOTMENT OF THOSE DEVELOPMENT TASKS BETWEEN NATIONS AND TEAMS OF NATIONS AND SHOULD ENSURE THAT COMMON SYSTEMS OR, AT A MINIMUM, INTEROPERABLE SYSTEMS RESULT.

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